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RIDERS OF THE PLAINS

Photoplay in 3 reels

#1 Red Shadows

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#### "RIDERS OF THE PLAINS"

#### Chapter #1

#### "Red Shadows"

Johnnie Frey, one of the most fearless riders of the Pony Express, is on the last lap of his dash to St. Joseph, Missouri, then, - in 1861, an important town of the frontier, marking as it did the end of the telegraph and railroad lines. But suddenly Johnnie halts, as before him he sees an Indian encampment.

For, by smoke signals, the chiefs of the different western tribes have been summoned to conference, a treaty from Washington is long over-due and the Indians have become impatient and restless. Running Elk, one of the elder chieftans, pleads for peace, and offers to give up his life in sacrifice - if the treaty does not arrive within twenty four hours. While Sitting Bull, a younger chief, argues for war, but Running Elk's arguments prevail, and it is decided to wait one more day before coming to any definite decision. In the Indian encampment is Star Light, presumably Running Elk's daughter, but in reality a white girl of gentle birth, stolen in infancy from a frontier settlement.

In St. Joseph, Missouri, word comes of the outbreak of the Civil War. Consternation reigns, Then, in the excitement, Johnnie Frey arrives, after escaping from Sitting Bull and his braves, due to interference by Star Light. Frey tells them that they must withhold action of political differences due to the North and South being at war until the fued closer at hand is settled. Frey's remarks quiet matters, and it is decided to hold a conference that night to settle the Indian problem.

While tensely watching in St. Joseph, is Jacques Cartier, who is fanatically seeking to regain for his native land that which was lost in the Louisiana Purchase. Cartier is the owner of a chain of trading posts extending from New Orleans to Alaska, and is hence a powerful element. His daughter, Simone, is the belle of St. Joseph, and courted by Johnnie Frey and Dan Morgan, a hot blooded son of the south.

At the Indian Camp, Running Elk despatches his son Little Bear, to take a peace belt to St. Joseph, a message meaning that the peace treaty must soon arrive or that there will be war. But Sitting Bull determines to prevent this, kills Little Bear, and then gives chase to Star Light, who endeavors to carry on with the peace belt. Until, desperately pursued, Star Light takes a mighty chance to elude her followers by leaping over a high cliff.

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